

ALUMNI CHATTER

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This, the first issue of what the executive of your Alumni Association hopes to make a monthly bulletin, is intended to keep Assumption men everywhere informed on what is going on at the old school.

We need correspondence to keep it alive, however. And that's where you come in. If you feel like reminiscing on either your exploits or escapades at Assumption, take a few minutes off some time and let us know about it. A lot of your old pals will relish it, we know.

Or, if there is somebody you are trying to locate, remember that names and addresses of practically all former students of Assumption are on file at the College. However, if the person you are seeking is not on the list we will be glad to try to find him through the columns of this bulletin, since in all likelihood there will be at least one reader of "ALUMNI CHATTER" somewhere in the United States or Canada who will know.

For instance, some of the boys of the Rhetoric Class of 1922 would like to know where Big Bill Nachazel is now. Can anyone tell them the present whereabouts of that Paul Bunyan of the Philosophy Flat whose shadow was enough to flatten bushes as he passed, and whose presence on the line in football games was a definite guarantee that at least half of the opposing team would be opposition only theoretically? If you know where Bill is, drop us a line, and we'll pass the information on.

A MESSAGE FROM THE NEW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT - - -

Dear Alumni:

It is with great joy that this letter is addressed to you by one upon whom, although all undeserving, you have conferred the highest honour in the giving of the Alumni Association. It is a joy in that it enables me, as spokesman of your executive, to extend cordial greetings and best wishes to all the old boys of Assumption.

You must realize that whatever fosters and strengthens our love for our Alma Mater is a blessed possession. Although the years have wrought their changes, at heart we are still the children of Assumption. Our simple faith and abiding confidence in her helpfulness prompt us now, as in the yesteryears, to keep close to her, in gratitude for her favours of the past, and in the hope that her counsel will continue to lead us aright in the days to come.

Scattered as we are throughout Canada and the United States, how refreshing it is in the midst of the cares of this sorrow-ridden world to conjure up the memories of our College days. The triumphs on the campus; the chats at table, only half audible through the din of dishes; the reports of tests, made known in the study hall; the pleasant strolls on the little walks; yes, even the punishments meted out by those who had our best interests at heart; and above all else, our daily Mass and Communion, and the visits to our Changeless Friend in the ruby glow of the Chapel. A true son of Assumption must frequently relive those scenes.

To visit the College often is not possible for many alumni. Hence, we have undertaken this year to send you periodically "ALUMNI CHATTER". We hope you enjoy these notes that concern your old friends. And, in the spirit of comradeship, we urge you to contribute news items yourselves. Whom of the old crowd have you encountered? And when and where? We are all most anxious to know. And in sending out this unpretentious chronicle, we rely to a great extent upon your co-operation. You are all hereby appointed reporters on the staff of the youngest venture at the old School.

God speed "ALUMNI CHATTER". May it live long, and grow stronger the longer it lives in fulfilling its mission - to act as an animated bond of union amongst the old students of our College.

In the name of your Alumni executive, I remain,

Devotedly yours,

William G. Rogers.

A.P.A. THRIVING AT ASSUMPTION - - But this isn't the same one.

It's the Assumption Press

Association, the new body which governs the various publications the "Purple and White" the "Ambassador" year book and the "Assumption High School Reporter". Under this new system the individual advertiser is approached only once a year, and in exchange for his expenditure he receives an advertisement in each of the school papers.

FATHER GUINAN NEW PRESIDENT - - Rev. V. J. Guinan, an Assumption student from 1912 to 1920, and a member of the staff since 1924, is now in office as president succeeding Rev. T. A. MacDonald, who is now serving as bursar at St. Michael's College, Toronto. Father Guinan's successor as registrar is Rev. Stanley Murphy.

MILITARY TRAINING IN FULL SWING - - Seventy Assumption students, all Canadians over the age of 18, are now drilling on the campus to qualify as army officers if and when they decide to enlist at a later date. They drill three hours at a stretch twice weekly, and although the course has only just nicely got under way, they are showing commendable precision already. American students, of course, are entirely exempt from this training.

EXECUTIVE MEETING - - The next gathering of the executive of the general Alumni Association will be held at the College Friday, November 15 at 6 p.m. The officers include Rev. W. G. Rogers, President; Carl Dettman, vice-president; Rev. J. F. Mallon, Secretary, and Rt. Rev. F. X. Laurendeau, Armand J. Ladouceur, Austin T. Collins, Dr. Raymond R. Coyle, Patrick McManus and Andrew McGuire, consultants.

R. I. P. - - Last month Assumption lost through death a beloved teacher, Father Vincent Donnelly C.S.B. and a loyal alumnus, Father Joseph Brokaw, pastor of St. Catherine's, Detroit. To the relatives of both priests, to the College, and to St. Catherine's Parish, sincere sympathy.

COLLEGE GYMNASIUM

TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 19 at 8:15

15 ROUNDS ☆ 15 DOOR PRIZES

Come Early and Bring your Friends!

Annual
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71ST RETREAT COMPLETED - - This year's students' retreat was conducted from November 6 to 9 by Rev. M. F. Crowley and Rev. C. Greene, Redemptorists of London.

ALMOST CAPACITY ENROLMENT - - This year's student body is almost the largest in the school's history. There is little doubt that it would have been the largest to date but for several American parents deciding at the last minute against sending their sons to a Canadian school. Actually the war has made no change at all in the status of American students. They are just as free to come and go as they have ever been in the past, and there are no restrictions of any kind. Each former student in the United States can do the old school a great deal of good for next year by making it a point to broadcast this information as well as he can. How about it?

DECIBELS RAMPANT - - All old boys who attended the College during the depression, when the waiters had a pretty soft time, and when there were wide yawning spaces between the tables, are now provided with cotton batting for their ears when they stay for a meal. Why? Don't ask.

FOOTBALL TEAM LOOKS GOOD - - Under Coach Johnny Shada, former University of Detroit star, the Purple and White grid squads of last year and this year have brought back that old-time football feeling at Assumption. Last year they dropped only two games. To date this season they have won three, lost one and tied one, despite an unusually high number of injuries.

JIMMIE BACK IN LANSING - - The pride of the Class of 1920, Jimmie Burns, former state senator, was returned to office again in the November 4th voting.

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WE WERE PLEASED - - recently to read that two of our alumni celebrated Holy Mass for the fiftieth wedding Anniversary of their parents. Congratulations to the jubilarians, parents of Fathers W. E. Dillon '22 and L. McCann '31.

GREETINGS - - to our alumni serving in the forces of His Majesty. We hope to list their names in our next issue.

Alumni
Football
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Lakewood Golf Club - Riverside Drive

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 22ND, 1940

Proceeds for scholarship fund. Drawing for

100 gallons of Gasoline.



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THE HONOUR ROLL As we promised last issue, we are listing below the names of former faculty members and students who have joined Canada's Armed Forces. We have tried to make the list complete and accurate but are afraid it is not so. In many cases we are uncertain of the rankings. You can help greatly by sending your additions and corrections to the Editor, ALUMNI CHATTER, Assumption College, Windsor.

Army

Capt. Rev. M. Dalton R'26
Capt. Rev. P. Donovan
Capt. Rev. C. McNabb R'26
Capt. Frank Payne
Lieut. L. J. Deziel '32
Lieut. J. R. Turnbull '33
Lieut. Ken MacIntyre '37
Lieut. Jno. Brick
Lieut. Ted. DeMay '33
Lieut. Brian Wilson
Lieut. Ted Reynolds
Lieut. V. Westfall '33

Sgt. Michael Hefferne
Oswald Bondy, Chas Weston
Serge Denis, Rene Fimouix
Alex Watson, Ray Co.
Alex Megg, Chas. Montreuil
Thos. Mogg, Gordon Wilkinson

Air Force (R. C. A. F.)

Chas. Malone '34, Vinc. McKinley
Jas. McKinley, Allan Arthur, Giles Bison
Mac Brian, Cameron Thompson, Noel Parent
Wm. Valkenier, Jno. Pleasance, R. Penwill
Thos. DeCourcoy, Sully Dunn, Clare Guenet
Ylysse Bozair, Chas. DesRosiers
Ernest Smithson, Oswald Wasman
Ed. Girardot, Pete Robertson
'Buster' Harwood, Cliff Ladouceur
Stan Kolakowski, Cyril Brennan
James Cavanagh x

Navy

Stoker Alex MacDonald #
Carlton Jacques, Jno. Sennett
Jas. Sennett, Jack Stephenson
Stoker Raymond Becigneul
Wilfred Leblanc
G. Reaume

x Killed in accident in England May they rest in peace
Killed in action aboard 'Jervis Bay'

The following alumni are in the ranks of the United States Forces:
Navy: D. Wm. Burke '40, Jno. Cairns, Marvin Hebert.
Air: Chas. Runchey, Leo Nieder

TRAVELLING THE PATHS OF THE MENTAL NEURONES WITH THE GRADS.

Many an Assumptionite has felt the urge to help direct the youths of our continent in the proper channels of education, so we find a number following a career in Pedagogy. The majority are located in Windsor and quite often the Windsor Secondary Schools Association reminds one of an Assumption Old Boys Comfah.

At Kennedy C. I. we have George Chapman '31, Henry Laframboise '31, and Gilbert Farrell '35. George has proven himself a won of a Junior Rugby Coach as his team has won twenty-five consecutive games in three years. George and Henry are married while Gil. is still on the loose.

At Patterson C. I. there are Al Newman '32, Ed. Dawson '31, Joe Mencil '34 and John Pentland '36. Ed. is Athletic Director and Joe and Al are his capable assistants. Ed. and Joe are married. (Edward Joseph Dawson a very good basketball guard for the Assumption Varsity of 1956 sponsored by Ed Dawson and Gladys Stewart)

At Walkerville C. I. there are Ian Allison '32, Bill Young '33, Clem Forman '37, Fred Beckley '38 and Stewart Bull '39. Ian is Athletic Direct.

Martin Young of the class of '34 is Athletic Supervisor at Gordon MacGregor School.

At the Vocational School are John Murray '27, Alex Eiddell '35, Arnold Harrison '36, Bernard Newman '33, Wynan Kerr '37 and Pat McManus '27. John Murray is Athletic Director and puts together some tough rugby teams (says Father Armstrong). Arnold has coached the Provincial High School Basketball Champions for the past two years. This scotet are married and the latest to join the Benedicts was Wynan who married Evelyn Marsden on July 20th.

Besides these in the vicinity, there are many others throughout the province. Patrick E. Brown '25, the former flash from Sebringville, is the principal of Arthur High School. Somehow, we heard that Pat is married—it's about time. Phil Gibb '36 is athletic director at Amherstburg High School. Bill Rogin is the majordomo of sports at Sarnia C.I. We wish to report that Willie married Florence Fisher during the summer. Bob Harris '36 is teaching school in Ottawa. Bob VanVaggoner '36 is physical instructor at Galt C. I. Percy H. Tacon '24 one of the ace Art teachers of the province is on the staff of Hamilton C. I.

Phil Austin '27 is at Hamilton Tech. J. R. Stephenson '36, Oshawa C.I. Gordon (Scrubby) Aitchison '38 is on the Pembroke C.I. staff. Fred '32 is located at Hawkesbury High School. Willard J. L'Heureux '37 is on the staff of Cornwall C. I. Joe Costigan '34 at Sudbury C.I. Tony Nadalin '37 is at Belle River. Wilfred (Jazz) Morrissey '23 has settled along the Welland Canal and teaches Latin at the Welland High School. At nearby Grey Gables School are Fred Flynn and Jack Oakley of the class of '35.

Our Knowledge of the pedagogues across the river Detroit is rather limited, so please excuse any omissions. Any corrections or additions will be made next issue, but YOU must let us know. Walter McKenna (John Bull) of Rhetoric '21 is connected with the Detroit Board of Education. Erwin Hogle of Rhetoric '24 teaches at Southeastern High, Detroit. Pat Coyle and Irv. Murphy '28 are teachers in the same city.

We have not included in our list the large number of priests, Old Boys of Assumption that are teaching. We hope to include them in a future issue.

DID YOU KNOW? that 2,000 copies of the ALUMNI CHATTER were mailed last month—that the issue was edited by the ever-faithful And McGuire R'22 & '37—that W. E. Kelly (Bill) R'2 was appointed a Separate School trustee of Windsor to uphold the Irish thought—that Tom Guitard '21 is still waiting for leap year—Merv Murphy '28 is the head man in the town of Fletcher (his cares must be many as his hairs are few)—A regular supporter at all the college games is 'Dutch' Kramer '28—Nelson Zott is mayor of Centreline, Michigan.—Dr. Ed. Schied has a dental office on Verner Highway, Detroit.—that Monsignor Laurendeau lost a cribbage game last month—Norman 'Zig' Langlois '27 is office manager for a collection bureau in Windsor (Father Killoran, A. C. treasurer please note)—Assumption tied for the M.O. Football Championship and placed three players on the first team of the Conference All-Star squad. (Congrats to Coach John J. Shada)—Rev. John O'Loane is Superior of Aquinas Institute of Rochester, N. Y. a Basilian school—Father Leland Higgins '31 is principal of St. Thomas High School, Houston, Texas where he supervised the construction of a new school and residence which was opened in Sept this year.—that the boys get napkins in the refectory now—that the life of this paper depends upon your readiness to send in material to keep it alive. ADDRESS/ The Editor, Alumni Chatter, Assumption College, Windsor, Ontario. Fathers Bernard Hoey R'22 and Frank McPhillips R'25 are at St. Benedict's, Detroit—that the Michigan Catholic referred to Father John Lynch '25 of St. Thomas Church, Ann Arbor as the most successful priest coach in Michigan.—Dr. Francis (Mickey) McGue is located at Pontiac—Doc Ernie (Hoddie) Ladouceur is at Amherstburg—Roger Desrosiers '28 is the Assistant Crown Attorney for Essex County—that Ed Madden can put Eddie Centor to shame as he has eight fine daughters—that Bill Fox '37 is practising law in Peterboro—that Don Morand '38 is president of Newman Hall in Toronto this year and is in Third Year at Osgoode Law School.—that the traditional football game was always played Dec. 8th to settle the burning question of "Who won the war?"—that Art Reaume was elected mayor of Windsor on Dec. 2nd last week for a two-year term

WE EXPRESS OUR SYMPATHY to relatives of Monsignor John J. Scullen pastor of St. Vincent's, Akron, O. and Monsignor Kyran J. Whalen pastor of St. Mary's, Muskegon, Mich. These alumni died recently. Our sympathy goes out likewise to the family of Stoker Alex McDonald who died on active service recently aboard the Jarvis Bay. To the family of Jim Cavanagh, a member of the Air Force who died in an accident in England shortly after the war began. Alex was from Windsor and Jim from Thessalon. To Ray, 'Dits' Romeo and the other members of the Marcotte family on the death of their mother, Mrs. Delvina Marcotte. To the VerHoven family on the death of Cy's sister, Quintilla. R. L. P.

AS WE GO TO PRESS the re-decoration of the College chapel is well advanced. It is expected the work will be completed by Dec. 15th when the new students will be received into the Sodality.

RECENT VISITORS to the College include Father Lowrey R'01 of Sarnia, Gordon Whyte '36 of Toronto, Frank Yeager '37 of Houston Texas, Fathers Jno. Rooney R'06 and W. E. Dillon '22. Gordon is with the Illinois Central. Frank in Real Estate.

OF INTEREST TO THE ALUMNI Robt. Bondy recently married the daughter of Art Cotter (an old friend of Assumption) Bill Parsons '37 wed Doris Morand '38 (Holy Names) Ray M. Lyons wed recently Dorothy Walsh of Windsor. They will live in Portland Oregon. Dr. John McCabe of Windsor married a sister of Alumnus Frank Devlin of Barrie. We have also heard that the following have forsaken single for double blessedness: Phil Austin '27, Jack Oakley '35, Luet. Ted DeMay '33 Ed Cronin '38, Bob Keenan. To all the best of luck.

THE ASSUMPTION ALUMNI CLUB OF WINDSOR extends an invitation to all Old Boys to join them at their next supper meeting Dec. 17th at 6.30 at the Norton Palmer, Windsor.

ALUMNI AND FRIENDS of Assumption, too numerous to mention were present at the recent Ken in the College Gym and at the Football Frolic at Lakewood. Their aid support is appreciated.

DID YOU HEAR Arnold Lunn, lecturer in the Assumption College Christian Culture Series, speak over the coast to a network of the Canadian Broadcasting Corp. on Dec. 17th at 6.45 p.m. M.T. --- the Assumption Band broadcast recently from C. K. L. W. They also appeared one evening at the Tivoli Theatre. They played at the College Football games. --- Philip Murray the new head of the C. I. O. is one of the speakers in the Lecutre Series.

ALUMNI CHATTER takes this opportunity to wish Assumption Alumni in Canada, United States and abroad

THE CHOICEST BLESSINGS OF GOD AT CHRISTMAS AND THROUGH THE NEW YEAR